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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAIR, ICAO, IN

SUBJECT: TRSB MICROWAVE LANDING SYSTEM:

ICAO MEETING OF AWOD

REF: STATE 52233

1. EMBOFF CALLED ON DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL OF CIVIL AVIATION
A.K. SARKAR MARCH 15 TO GET READ-OUT ON INDIAN POSITION ON
MLS ISSUE PRIOR TO AWOD SESSION NEXT MONTH. SARKAR SAID THAT
GOI WOULD NOT MAKE FINAL DECISION IN FAVOR OF EITHER US OR
UK SYSTEM UNTIL FINAL DISCUSSIONS TAKE PLACE AT MEETING.

2. GOI DELEGATION TO MEETING WILL BE HEADED BY V. RAMA-
SUBRAMANYAN, RECENTLY APPOINTED DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS
FOR PLANNING AND EVALUATION IN DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION.
RAMASUBRAMANYAN WAS SENIOR TECHNICAL LEVEL OFFICIAL ATTEND-
ING FAA BRIEFING ON TRSB/MLS IN NEW DELHI FEBRUARY 15.

3. EMBOFF HAD DELAYED CALL ON SARKAR UNTIL AFTER SHIRAZ
DEMONSTRATION OF TRSB/MLS TO WHICH AN INDIAN TEAM WAS TO GO.
SARKAR SAID, HOWEVER, THAT HIS REQUEST FOR MINISTERIAL AP-
PROVAL TO SEND TEAM HAD BEEN REFUSED FOR BUREAUCRATIC REASONS.

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HE TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY TO COMMEND LAST MONTH'S FAA BRIEFING,
NOTING HOW INFORMATIVE AND USEFUL IT HAD BEEN.

4. COMMENT: USG SHOULD CONSIDER INDIAN AWOD DELEGATION TO
BE SYMPATHETIC TO US PROPOSAL. REFUSAL TO TAKE A POSITION
IN ADVANCE OF CONFERENCE IS STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE HERE
IN ORDER TO PERMIT GOI DELEGATION TO BLEND INTO GROUP DYNAMICS

AT MEETING. FAA BRIEFING CLEARLY HAD A FAVORABLE IMPACT AT DGCA; ITS DESIRE TO ATTEND DEMONSTRATION, WHILE FRUSTRATED, REFLECTS AN UNEXPECTED ENTHUSIASM. WE HAVE SEEN NO EVIDENCE THAT BRITISH HAVE BEEN IN NEW DELHI TO PUSH DOPPLER SYSTEM.

5. GOI DELEGATION IN MONTREAL WILL PROBABLY NOT BE VERY ACTIVE, HOWEVER. INDIAN ICAO COUNCIL REP HAS RETURNED TO NEW DELHI AND, ACCORDING TO SARKAR, WILL NOT BE REPLACED UNTIL MAY. RAMASUBRAMANYAN HAS NO KNOWN CONFERENCE EXPERIENCE AND HIS SECOND-RANK POSITION WITHIN DGCA WOULD PRECLUDE HIM FROM TAKING A LEADING ROLE AT MEETING. US DELEGATION SHOULD FIND HIM APPROACHABLE AND FAIRLY KNOWLEDGEABLE.
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